

DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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INTERPRETIVE OPINION

Pursuant to §103-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), all public buildings, facilities and sites constructed by, or on behalf of the State or any county, shall conform to the 2004 Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (2004 ADAAG) and amendments. In accordance to HRS §103-50 and Chapter 11-216, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Disability and Communication Access Board has authority to issue interpretive opinions to HRS §103-50 design standards.

<u>Docket</u>: If the parking stalls in a parking facility is assigned to a specific residential unit, can the signage (e.g., reserved parking, ISA symbol, etc.) at the accessible stalls be eliminated or a sign with alternate verbiage be used?

<u>Summary</u>: The identification of accessible parking stalls that are assigned to residents can be confusing in parking facilities that have both public and assigned parking. Due to the "universal" nature of accessible parking identification, one may mistakenly park in an assigned accessible stall since there is no differentiation in the "reserved accessible parking" between public and assigned accessible parking, or be ticketed for parking in their assigned accessible stall without a parking placard.

Ruling: For buildings or facilities subject to HRS §103-50,

ADAAG Section 216.5 Parking and FHAG Section 5, Requirement 2

Accessible parking spaces that are assigned to a specific residential unit are not required to follow the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) for accessible parking HAR, Title 11, Chapter 219.

Accessible parking spaces that are assigned to a specific residential unit and required to comply with the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design are not required to be identified per section 216.5 Exception 2.

Accessible parking spaces that are assigned to a specific residential unit and required to comply with the Fair Housing Amendments Act shall comply with the 1986 version of ANSI A117.1 section 4.6.

For each condition additional verbiage may be included to identify the space as reserved for the residential unit or individual.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this ruling, please call us at 586-8121.

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